



NEWS RELEASE

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HWY. 101/41 INTERCHANGE PROJECT CONTINUES WITH BRIDGE WORK

ATASCADERO – The next phase of the Hwy. 101/41 interchange project includes building the framework for the new overpass that will extend over Hwy. 41. Electrical work also continues for the new traffic signals at the intersection of Hwy. 41 and El Camino Real.

The recent pile driving operation was completed in one overnight and was finished ahead of schedule. There is no pile driving scheduled for the next 6 -12 months.

Hwy. 41 continues to have one lane closed in each direction for the next **two years** as part of this project. The northbound on-ramp to Hwy. 101 is **open** for motorists headed **westbound** on Hwy. 41. The northbound on-ramp to Hwy. 101 remains closed to eastbound traffic on Hwy. 41.

Motorists can expect a delay not to exceed ten minutes.

All local businesses near the project area remain open for business.

For traffic updates on other state highway projects in San Luis Obispo County, motorists can call Caltrans District 5 at 805-549-3318 or visit the District 5 website at:

<http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/maint/road/upslo.htm>

